

AmeriCorps Week May 5-12, 2012

Statewide Service Projects Hosted by Idaho's National Service Members AmeriCorps, VISTA, and Senior Corps

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Kick-Off Event with First Lady Lori Otter:

May 7, 2012

4:00 p.m.

Idaho@Play

Location:

Boys & Girls Club - Garden City

First Lady Lori Otter will kick off AmeriCorps Week - Idaho@Play at 4:00 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club in Garden City! Idaho's AmeriCorps Members and community volunteers will join together to begin cleaning up and painting the play area. On May 14 AmeriCorps members will lead a play day at the Boys & Girls Club for all the children.

Statewide AmeriCorps Week Service Projects:

May 5, 2012

Time: 1:00-4:00pm

Cardboard Box Build-a-thon

Cottonwood

Location:

Prairie Elementary School

AmeriCorps Members will host a cardboard box build-a-thon with children

May 5-19, 2012

Time:

"Paint & Play"

Coeur d'Alene

Location:

Coeur d'Alene Memorial Softball Grandstand

AmeriCorps Members will paint part of the CDA Memorial Softball Grandstand & Play games on the field.

May 7, 2012

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Playground cleanup & Map Painting

Hollister

Location:

Hollister Elementary School

On May 7 AmeriCorps members will be joined by the Hollister Fire Department to clean up and power wash the painting area at Hollister Elementary. On May 8 at 8am the Idaho@Play Team and community volunteers will begin painting the U.S. map.

May 7-10, 2012

Time: 5pm- 7 p.m.

“Play it Again”

Moscow

Locations:

Breman Creekside, Anderson Frontier and Lena Whitmore Parks

AmeriCorps members invite local children to different parks around Moscow to “Play it Again”, focusing on having fun without expensive toys. The Idaho@Play Team will use recycled bottles and toilet paper rolls to create musical instruments; a toy swap; cardboard boxes for imaginative play; and physical activities all going on in the same park. The Idaho@Play Team will rotate to different parks each night of the week in order to meet the needs of different communities, encouraging them to walk to the parks.

May 11, 2012

Time: 8am- 12pm

Play Day

Pocatello

Location:

Greenacres Elementary School

AmeriCorps members will host a field day at Greenacres Elementary. They will have multiple activities for the students to participate: kickball, jump rope, basketball, 3-legged races.

Time: 3pm to 6pm

Idaho@Play Event

Caldwell

Location:

**Community Council of Idaho
317 Happy Day Blvd, Caldwell, ID 83607**

AmeriCorps members will be hosting a play event which will include carnival games, obstacle course and scavenger hunt through the park.

Time: 10:50am-12:10

Idaho@Play Event with Star Players

Spirit Lake

Location:

Idaho Hill Elementary

AmeriCorps members will host a play event with “Star Player” from Priest River High School to play with the children at Idaho Hill Elementary.

May 12, 2012

Time: 9am to 7pm

Sherman@Play

Nampa

Location:

**Sherman Elementary School
1521 E. Sherman, Nampa ID 83686**

Sherman@Play is a community build playground makeover which will be a partnership between Nampa School District, Nampa’s University District, Nampa Parks & Recreation, Sherman PTA, OG’s BAD, AmeriCorps, Serve Idaho, Idaho Learn & Serve and many other community partners. On May 12 this project will kick off and include planting trees, painting of a world map on asphalt, installing a ball field backstop and a celebration with live music!

Time:

Veterans Visit the Zoo

Boise

Location:

Boise Zoo

AmeriCorps members, Cub Scouts, and the Young Marines will be taking 15-20 residents of the Idaho State Veteran’s Nursing Home to the Boise Zoo. Afterwards participants will enjoy a picnic in the park!

Time: 9am-6pm

Idaho@Play

Boise

Location:

Grace Jordan Elementary

Grace Jordan Elementary and the community will upgrade Grace Jordan's playground. The event will take place on May 12, 2012 and include painting a World Map on the playground and 8 new four-squares.

Time: 11am-3pm

Sprucing up Adams Lane playground

Lewiston

Location:

Adams Lane Apartments

AmeriCorps members will assist in clean up and refurbishing the playground at Adams Lane Apartments in Lewiston.

More Idaho AmeriCorps Week Projects:

May 16, 2012

Time: 4pm-6pm

Mini Wrestling Camp

Riggins

Location:

Salmon River High School

May 17, 2012

Time: 4pm-6pm

Coach Pitch Softball Games

Riggins

Location:

Salmon River High School

May 18, 2012

Time: 12pm-4pm

Swimming at Zim's Hot Springs

New Meadows

Location:

2995 Zims Rd., New Meadows, ID 83654

May 26, 2012

Time: 11am-2pm

Bicycle Drive

Ketchum

Location:

Atkinson Park 900 Third Avenue North

AmeriCorps members will partner with Girl Scouts to collect donated bicycles and repair them so they can be donated to children and adults who need them. There will be a celebration at the Park on May 26 from 11-2.

Find the Bunny!

McCall

On April 7th AmeriCorps Members at the McCall Outdoor Science School in McCall welcomed youngsters and encouraged them to "Find the Bunny"! First, the little ones had to "track" the Easter bunny with their parents by following "bunny tracks" to a real bunny that they got to pet and feed with carrots. Following their successful quest, they went inside where they warmed up, got their faces painted, made some bunny ears, and heard a bunny-themed story.